IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

ANITA McMILLON, on behalf of herself)
and all others similarly situated,)
)
Plaintiff,	No. 1:22-cv-02539
V.	
) Honorable Marvin E. Aspen
ILLINOIS GASTROENTEROLOGY	
GROUP, P.L.L.C., (d/b/a "Illinois) Magistrate Judge M. David Weisman
Gastroenterology Group"),	
Defendant.)

JOINT MOTION TO TEMPORARILY STAY PROCEEDINGS TO ALLOW FOR MEDIATION

Plaintiff Anita McMillon and Defendant Illinois Gastroenterology Group, P.L.L.C., ("IGG") by their respective counsel, jointly move for a temporary stay of these proceedings to allow the parties the opportunity to mediate this and seven other related data breach lawsuits in a global mediation scheduled for September 20, 2022. In support of this motion, the parties further state as follows:

- 1. On May 13, 2022, plaintiff filed her Complaint against IGG alleging a data breach within IGG's network. (Dkt. 1). Plaintiff has brought this action on behalf of herself and a putative class. (Id.).
- 2. On June 14, 2022, this Court granted IGG's motion for an extension of time to respond to plaintiff's Complaint to and including July 13, 2022. (Dkt. 6). The Court also set this matter for an initial status on August 4, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. (Id.).
- 3. Since the granting of the extension and setting of the initial status date, counsel for IGG and the plaintiff have been discussing the possibility of an early mediation of this dispute.

- 4. Further, this case is one of eight data breach cases filed against IGG in a number of different Illinois courts. In addition to this case, these cases are:
 - Mahida v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22-cv-2273 (N.D. Ill.) Filed 5/3/22
 - Doe v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22 CH 4408 (Cook Co.) Filed 5/16/22
 - Fliman v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22 CH 4706 (Cook Co.) Filed 5/23/22
 - McNicholas v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22 L 173 (Lake Co.) Filed 5/25/22
 - Doe v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22 CH 4408 (Cook Co.) Filed 5/27/22
 - Whitehead v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22 LA 202 (Lake Co.) Filed 6/3/22
 - Castillo v. Illinois Gastroenterology Group, No. 22-cv-02953 (N.D. Ill.) Filed 6/6/22
- 5. Although coordination between multiple sets of attorneys in all of the above cases has taken some time, counsel for the parties in this case, as well as counsel in the seven additional cases above, have agreed to participate in a global mediation on September 20, 2022 to attempt a resolution of these pending matters.
- 6. The parties wish to conserve resources and refrain from additional expense in this matter while they prepare for and conduct the mediation and continue settlement discussions. As a result, they respectfully request that all deadlines in this case be suspended and the case be temporarily stayed until after the global mediation on September 20, 2022 has been completed.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Anita McMillon and Defendant Illinois Gastroenterology Group, P.L.L.C. respectfully request entry of an Order suspending all current deadlines and temporarily staying these proceedings until after the global mediation of this and other related cases on September 20, 2022 has been completed.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the <u>Joint Motion to Temporarily Stay Proceedings to</u>

<u>Allow for Mediation</u> was filed electronically this <u>13th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2022. Notice of this filing will be sent to all parties by operation of the Court's electronic filing system. Parties may access this filing through the Court's electronic system.

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